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THE NEWPORT MERCURY was established in June, 1770, and is now in its one hundred and thirty-third year. It is the oldest newspaper in the United States, with less than half a dozen exceptions. The oldest printed in the English language. It is a large quarto weekly of fifty columns filled with interesting reading—editorial, state, local and general news, well selected advertising and the famous and household departments—covering all the news of the day and the state, the United States and the world. It is published every day except on Sundays and holidays. It is sold at the rate of one cent per copy in advance. Single copies are sold at the rate of two cents. It is also sold by subscription at the rate of \$1.00 per annum in advance. It is also sold by subscription at the rate of \$1.00 per annum in advance. It is also sold by subscription at the rate of \$1.00 per annum in advance.

Local Matters.

Merry Christmas.

Wednesday was not a typical New England Christmas day. The sound of martial music, with the boom of cannon and snap of fire crackers would have been all sufficient to convince the community that it was the 4th of July, so warm and summery was the weather. But it was the 25th of December, the anniversary of the birth of our Saviour, and as such was observed in accordance with their honored custom. Stockings that had been hung about the chimney place the night before, empty, were found full in the early morning by the excited little ones; the usual family dinners were served; sports that did not require snow or ice were enjoyed, and religious services were held at the several Episcopal and Roman Catholic churches. It was really a day of rejoicing, and only the young, to whom Santa had presented skates or sleds, or the few older persons, to whom a "green Christmas" is always an ill omen, would have cared to change its general appearance.

Many entertainments, private and public, incident to the day, have been given and others are yet to come. The Sunday school of Glimming Memorial church had its usual Christmas festival in Glimming parlors Tuesday evening. The rooms were tastefully decorated, and the exercises included the distribution of presents from a Christmas tree. The inmates of the City Asylum, thirty in number, were given an excellent Christmas dinner at noon on Christmas day and at 2:30 special exercises, appropriate to the occasion, were held in the chapel. This room had been prettily decorated with evergreens and provided with a tree well loaded with fruit, candles, popcorn, etc., as presents for the inmates. Chaplain Jere W. Horton, who is also one of the overseers of the poor, presided. The exercises included music by a choir consisting of Mr. and Mrs. Helen Davis, Mrs. Tebbits and Mrs. Thos. S. Nason, prayer by Rev. J. A. L. Rich, interesting remarks by Mayor Coggeshall, Rev. Mr. Rich, Mr. B. W. Pearce, Alderman Cottrell and Councilmen Hammett and Myers, and Mr. Coggeshall entertained the audience with a couple of sailor songs. The distribution of the presents was the closing feature of the entertainment.

At the naval training station on Coasters' Harbor Island, such apprentices as had not obtained leave of absence for the holidays spent the day in a thoroughly enjoyable manner. After a series of interesting athletic sports, which occupied most of the morning, an excellent Christmas dinner was served, and much of the afternoon was given up to football and other exercises.

The in-town sports included an interesting foot-ball match on the Gilbert Stanton lot between the Gymnasium eleven and a picked team. There was a large audience of spectators and the play was sufficiently close to keep up the interest notwithstanding the fact that the score at the finish stood 18 to 0 in favor of the Gymnasium.

Unique Christmas entertainments were given at the Second Baptist and First Presbyterian churches Thursday evening, the former, in addition to interesting literary exercises by the Sunday school, included a banquet in honor of Santa Claus, and the latter a Santa Claus' house of most attractive dimensions. Each provided presents for the younger members of the schools.

The Sunday schools of the First Methodist Episcopal, Trinity and St. John's churches, held their Christmas festivals last evening, Trinity's being in Masonic Hall. Each was largely attended and greatly enjoyed.

The Sunday school of Emmanuel church will have a Christmas tree Monday evening next, and that of the Thames street M. E. church will give a Christmas concert next Tuesday evening, New Year's eve.

An exceedingly interesting paper on "The Honey Bee" was read before the Natural History Society Monday evening by Mr. L. D. Davis.

Mr. L. D. Davis of this city has been elected a member of the executive committee of the American Forestry Association.

Y. M. C. A. Notes.

The Sunday morning service will be held at 9:30 in the Association parlor. An interesting meeting is anticipated, as it is the concluding meeting of the year.

The Sunday evening service at 8 o'clock in the Association Hall will consist of a song service followed by a brief address by the General Secretary, Mr. C. H. Allen, Physical Director of the association is spending a few days at the home of his parents in Albany, N. Y.

A steady increase is noticeable in the membership of the Association.

The 5 o'clock Gymnasium class has begun with a fair attendance.

Workers are becoming scarce, and the demand increasing. It looks as if more room is necessary in the gymnasium as well as in other departments.

The foot ball match on Christmas day between the Gymnasium eleven and picked team resulted in a victory of 18 to 0 in favor of the Association men.

United Congregational Church.

The lecture for next Sunday evening will be on the subject of the musical festival for the children of the Sunday School. The concert will begin at half past six o'clock in the audience room of the church and will consist of Christmas music by the children, choir and congregation. Mr. Emerson will resume his lectures on the first Sunday evening in January, the 5th, taking up the events in the third century of the church.

Owing to an accident to the engine at the Edison electric station Wednesday morning the street cars were compelled to take a long detour from 7:15 to 10:20. The power gave out at 7:10, when the cars of the Broadway line were on the turn at the foot of Hill street, but after a brief delay it was renewed for five minutes, and then disappeared for three hours. When the long wait came the out-going car of the Broadway line was at Howard avenue, the in-coming car of the same line was at Mill street, and the Morton Park car was at Perry street. Fortunately it was a perfectly pleasant day, mild and clear, as otherwise the absence of the cars would have proved a great annoyance to would-be passengers; the business places which use electric power suffered no inconvenience, as they were all closed in observance of Christmas.

The remains of the late Hon. Thomas Coggeshall of New Bedford were brought to Newport Saturday and the funeral was solemnized on Sunday from the residence of Mayor Coggeshall, his nephew, on Kay street. Rev. Dr. Cutter, pastor of Glimming Memorial church, officiated, and the pall bearers were the deceased's son, Robert Coggeshall, and his three nephews, Thomas and Lawton Coggeshall, of this city, and Charles Coggeshall, of New Bedford. The services were very impressive and were attended by a large number of our older citizens.

Mr. City Clerk Stevens and his assistants have been kept exceedingly busy this week attending to the work of registration. At noon yesterday the total number registered was 1,616, against \$704 at the corresponding period a year ago. The total registry for 1889 was 1,800, and next year's promises to be the largest in the history of the city.

Redwood Lodge No. 11, K. of P., held their first meeting in their new hall in the Memorial Building Thursday evening. There was a fair sized attendance and the lodge starts off in its new quarters in a prosperous manner.

The new school house in the Second ward is receiving its interior finish and will probably be ready for furnishing in about a month. James Curigan has nearly completed the grading of the grounds.

The M'Guity fever is growing more violent daily. It is hardly safe for the unsuspecting to ask a question nowadays for fear the M'Guity chestnut will be hurled at them.

Mr. Augustus French of this city, will bring out the beautiful little drama of the "Honey Pickers," in Bristol, January 14, 15 and 16, for the benefit of the G. A. R. Post of that town.

Another series of socials are to be given under the auspices of Rhode Island Lodge No. 12, I. O. O. F., and Tuesday evening, Jan. 23, has been selected as the opening night.

There will be a special musical service at the Berkeley Memorial chapel, Middletown, Sunday at 3:30 p. m.

Rev. W. L. Ward and Mrs. Ward spent Christmas with friends in Massachusetts.

Miss K. B. Mitchell, of East Greenwich, is visiting Rev. and Mrs. J. A. L. Rich, on Foxwell street.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Brown spent Christmas with Mr. Brown's parents in Little Compton.

Hospital Again.

Last week alluded to these columns to the fact that a young lady patient was allowed to escape from the Newport Hospital and wander about the streets of Newport for some time without any thing on except her nightgown. Immediately after, Drs. Rankin and Royal came out in the columns of the Daily News with long articles of abuse of the editor of this paper. Dr. Rankin in his article very carefully avoided allusion to the escape from the hospital, and Dr. Royal passes it off in a following manner as though it was a very little account of a patient escaped on foot:

"Some nights ago one of the patients, a female, named 'Johns', was left for a few minutes in the hospital, properly secured (as they had every reason to think). In some way she freed herself and, changing her name, escaped to the street. She was taken to a home near by, where she was kindly cared for. The matron of the hospital immediately commenced a search, and, after some delay, and in a short time, she was again under the care of the hospital."

It is the first time that we ever heard that an insane person was not an ill person, and in due case, at least, Dr. Royal knows, should know, that the patient has not been well for two years or more when she had a severe case of scarlet fever. "She was left for a few minutes in the hospital properly secured." How was she secured? By being strapped to her bed, with one strap around her waist, other across each shoulder, others around each ankle and others on each wrist, and each fastened to the bed. This is called by the hospital people a humane arrangement, but we think that if readers will agree with us that they would not wish a mother, wife or sister strapped in that way and left alone in her room for an indefinite length of time. We have consulted several physicians in this city and outside in regard to this humane contrivance and have yet to find one outside of the hospital board who approves of its use; still it may be the most humane applied in the world. In justice to the person we should say that she claims to have applied this arrangement to the orders of the doctor in charge of the patient, though this doctor in conversation with us did not admit. After securing the patient in this manner she was not only left alone in the room, but the matron left the building. The patient in some way, which the doctors and the matron think mysterious, freed herself from this bondage, left her bed, walked out of her room, downstairs, out of the house, and out of the grounds, without let or hindrance. How long it was after her escape that the hospital authorities discovered her absence it is impossible to say, but when found she had walked at least a quarter of a mile on snow and freezing ground. She was not found either by the hospital people nor the police. She remained at the house where she was taken upwards of three-quarters of a hour before it could be discovered where she belonged. All of which shows plainly that she was left alone long enough to have gone to the big pond or the ocean and have drowned herself had she turned that way instead of seeking a well travelled street, or had the weather been the usually cold winter weather she would probably have frozen to death. The fatal mistake to our mind was in leaving such a patient alone a moment. If the hospital had not forced enough to protect her properly they should not have received her. Another mistake the hospital people make is in running the institution as such a close corporation. The public know nothing about its inside workings and have no means of knowing. An institution supported, as that was in the beginning at least, by the charities of all the people of Newport should have a board of examiners or visitors appointed by some body outside of the hospital board, who should keep the public informed as to its management. The gentlemen composing the board of directors are all reputable citizens and no doubt wish to have the institution run in the best manner possible. Still they cannot deny but what many complaints have from time to time reached their ears. These they claim to have investigated and found groundless, yet the public would be better satisfied if they were taken into the confidence of the management. We have no desire to say anything against the institution. On the other hand we wish it all success. We do not however agree with the doctors above alluded to, who are so free with their abuse, in believing that the management is perfect.

A burning chimney caused considerable excitement on Edward street Tuesday evening. An alarm was sounded from box 25, but the services of the department were not required.

Mr. Patrick J. Galvin of this city is still a guest at the Arcadia House, St. Augustine, Florida, but expects to return home in about two weeks.

O. H. Perry Council, United Friends, will hold a regular meeting and install its officers Monday evening in the Memorial Building hall.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph S. Cottrell have been visiting their sons, John H. and E. A. Cottrell, in Providence the past week.

Major Livermore's Reports.

The secretary of war Wednesday sent to Congress three reports from Major Livermore, United States engineer. One recommends the dredging of the cove on Coasters' Harbor Island, at Newport, where the training ship New Hampshire was attacked by cyclonic diseases; another on a breakwater at East Point Judith, and a third on the improvement of the harbors of Martha's Vineyard.

Malbone Lodge, No. 93, New England Order of Protection, will publicly install its officers on Thursday evening next, January 2, in the new lodge room in the Memorial Building. The Grand and supreme officers are expected to be present. There will be music and other exercises of an interesting nature. This lodge is making rapid growth, and seems to be on a good foundation. The Supreme Warden is the Hon. Samuel P. Tenney, Mayor of Chelsea, and the Supreme Vice Warden is the Hon. John J. Whipple, ex-Mayor of Brockton.

The Sunday School Teachers' Union will omit its meeting this week. The schools differ in their management of the Review Lesson at the Sunday school, and for this reason there will be no meeting this week. The meetings for the new year will begin Saturday, Jan. 4. The International Lessons for the year will be taken from the Gospel of Luke.

Mr. E. W. Peckham and family, of New Jersey, have been in town this week, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Peckham, on Kay street. The young man was taken quite seriously sick on Thursday, but he was much better yesterday and expects to be out again soon.

Two matrimonial engagements were announced on Christmas day: Mr. L. K. Carr, of the Observer, to Miss Abbie Vose, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Westcott, and Mr. Thatcher T. Bowler, to Miss Castoff, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Castoff, of Providence.

The losses sustained by Mr. H. D. DeHolis by the burning of his barn and its contents in Middletown recently, have been adjusted and the full insurance of \$2,500 paid through the agency of Mr. Henry Bull, Jr.

The marriage of Mr. Pemberton H. Powell, only son of Ex-Mayor John H. Powell, and Miss Elizabeth Shirlock, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Whipple, all of this city, is announced to take place on the 14th proximo.

Rev. Dr. J. B. Murray, acting prelate of Washington Cathedral, preached an able discourse before the Masons and their friends on Sunday evening last in Masonic Temple.

An Accident to the Puritan.

Steamer Puritan met with an accident Sunday night that delayed her arrival in New York several hours. The steamer left Fall River about 8:15, and at Watch Hill the pin in the crosshead was broken. It was decided to put back into Newport, and it was with great difficulty that the steamer was brought into this port, not arriving here until 3 a. m. Work was immediately begun to repair the damage, after which she started on her trip to New York.

A. O. D. Taylor has sold, for \$1,500, for Mrs. Sarah Allen, her house at No. 18 Gibbs street, with 200 feet of land, to Mrs. Mary Ann Stiles.

A. Prescott Baker has sold, for the heirs of Alfred Smith and Daniel T. Sabin, a lot of land on the Mattituck road, measuring 50x55 feet and situated on Third street next north of land of Abby A. Mathewson, to Annaida G. Swanson, wife of Charles A. Swanson, for \$247.75.

A. O. D. Taylor has sold on private terms to Mrs. Sarah Allen, wife of Thomas C. Allen, for Mrs. Annie A. Chase, of Tonto street, the house at 12 Newport avenue, with 5,480 feet of land.

Edward M. Padellaro has sold to Jan Van D. Reed, for \$25,000, a lot of land, with buildings, bounded easterly, 120 feet, on Bellevue avenue; southerly, 45 feet, on land of John H. Ford; westerly, 120 feet, on Coggeshall avenue, and northerly, 184.8 feet, on land of George Warner Smith.

Harriet H. Armstrong and William A. Armstrong have sold to John E. Harrington, for \$1 and other considerations, a lot of land bounded easterly, 50 feet, on Prescott Hall road; southerly, 100 feet, on land of John M. Robinson; westerly, 20 feet, and northerly, 100 feet, on other lands of the grantors.

John T. Anthony and wife have sold to Godfrey Moffit, for \$1 and other considerations, a lot of land, with buildings bounded southerly, 20 feet, on Barney street; easterly, 98 feet, on land formerly of Benjamin Gray; northerly, 30 feet, on land formerly of Christopher A. May, and westerly on land formerly of George S. Hazard and formerly of the Sabbatarian Society.

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Naval Notes.

Commander William B. Hoff has been ordered to the command of the receiving ship Dale, at Washington, January 31, relieving Commander Yates Sterling, who is placed on waiting orders. Commander George W. Pignam has been ordered as inspector of ordnance at the League Island navy yard, January 2, and Passed Assistant Engineer E. P. Stone to the receiving ship Independence, January 18. Lieutenant Cameron McL. Winslow has been detached from the torpedo station at Newport and ordered to hold himself in readiness to command the torpedo boat Fishling.

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St. Joseph's church was opened for services on Christmas day for the first time since the interior improvements were begun, some weeks ago. It presents a very handsome appearance.

The final meeting of the present City Council will be held next Thursday evening, and the new city government inaugurated on the 1st of January following Monday.

Mr. George E. Peabody, who died in Providence, Thursday, was a Newport boy, and his remains were interred in the Island Cemetery Thursday afternoon with Masonic honors.

The Scandinavian Society Mjølner held its second annual social and ball Thursday evening and it was participated in and greatly enjoyed by hosts of members and friends of the order.

Mr. William H. Spooner, who has been critically ill for a year past, is now able to get about the house by the use of crutches, and it is thought that he will entirely recover.

Mail Carrier McDonald of the U. S. Post Office, who has a sale counter at the station, was robbed of about \$40 in Christmas day by one of the marine guards.

Mr. A. B. Coblin's recent losses through the dishonesty of his servant girl have been made good by the girl's father.

The Newport Water Works Company has just completed extensive improvements to its main supply. Easton's Pond.

A private dance social was enjoyed by about thirty couples, Wednesday evening, at St. George's Hall.

Rev. Father Coyle of St. Joseph's parish, made a flying visit to his parents in Warwick, this week.

Real Estate Sales.

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Chronology of Some Memorable Occurrences.

1300. The second so-called "March of the ten thousand" took place. Twenty thousand men, led by the Emperor Frederick II, marched from Sicily to the Holy Land, and were defeated by the forces of the Sultan of Egypt at the battle of Hattin, Sept. 24, 1187.

1301. Lord Jeffrey Greville, became a Peer of the Realm.

1307. All the rivers in France, Germany and Austria overflowed their banks.

1324. Dublin was made an University town.

1357. Edward III. began his reign when only 14 years of age.

1371. The battle of Ardsley was taken by the English, and a great number of the English were slain.

1375. St. Lawrence's Day the Irish were put to flight by the English, although the English had 10,000 men killed.

1377. In the province of Zealand, a large portion of seven dioceses and fourteen villages, were buried beneath the waves.

1378. The most disastrous of floods which ever visited Germany occurred this year. On the 8th of December, the German Ocean by a tidal wave swept over North Friesland and swallowed up more than 100,000 men, women and children, together with all their buildings.

1385. Gunpowder was invented.

1377. In London 50,000 people died of the plague.

1379. The jubilee which was appointed by Pope Boniface in the year 1300, to be kept at Rome every 100 years, was by Clement VI. deferred to every fifty years.

1385. The impressment of seamen was commenced.

1390. When King Edward III. was on his march to Calais, a pleasing storm of wind, rain and hail, killed 900 of his horses, and 100 of his best troops.

1391. A great mortality prevailed in England and Ireland among the men, but few women died.

1370. There was frost from September 4 to April, 1871.

1371. A great pestilence prevailed in Ireland.

1376. The Papal See was again restored to Rome.

1377. Edward III. died June 21st, 1377, having reigned 51 years. Richard II. succeeded him, being only eleven years old when he came to the throne. He was murdered at Pontefract castle, Feb. 13th, 1399.

1378. Plays were first performed in England.

1379. Hajazet I., the great Turk, succeeded to the office of Sultan, by strangling his brother and rival, Jacob. In 1402, he was defeated by Tamerlane, and was himself taken prisoner. He died in the camp of Tamerlane in 1405.

1379. In London 30,000 persons died of the plague.

1380. The first use of guns was found out by the French.

1381. Side saddles were first used in England.

1382. The fourth great pestilence occurred in Ireland.

1388. Four Lord's Justices of England, were banished into Ireland, by a decree of parliament, and it was not lawful for them, either to make laws, or to give council under pain of death.

1389. Eighty French ships were taken by the English.

1391. King Richard II. lands in Ireland October 3, to settle some disturbances, and returned to England about shrovetide. During his absence some complications arising in his own kingdom led to his resignation of the crown to his cousin Henry, Duke of Lancaster.

1392. Henry IV. was crowned King of England.

1403. A great battle was fought at Tewkesbury, between Henry IV. and his brother, in which the Percys were slain, and 900 of their men.

1404. The statutes of Kilkenny and Dublin were confirmed by a parliament held in Dublin, under the Earl of Arundel.

1405. The Irish entered Wales, and did much damage to the Welshmen, and brought away the shrine of St. Columba and placed it in Christchurch, in Dublin.

1407. Was the beginning of the Mendicant Friars of St. James' order. An Irishman, named Mac Adam Gilman, caused 40 churches to be destroyed.

1409. Henry IV. with some Englishmen, slew 80 of the Irish in Ulster. The same year a heretic, or Lollard of London, was burnt for believing in the sacrament of the altar.

1410. Henry IV. died, and his eldest son, Henry V. succeeded him.

1412. Henry V. landed at Calais, near Dublin, on the first of October.

1413. The English slew 100 of the O'Moors and O'Dempseys.

1415. Henry V. landed in France with an immense army. The battle of Agincourt succeeded, in which the English gained a splendid victory.

1416. The Parliament was removed to Tran.

1422. King Henry V. of England, was crowned at Paris.

In the latter part of August, died that glorious and renowned conqueror of France, King Henry V.

Henry VI. was crowned King of France.

The old bridge of Dublin was built.

Printing was first used in Britain, it was invented by John Gutterbergh at Harlem.

1453. The Turks under Mohamed took Constantinople.

1462. Nintles were established in Dublin for coining groats, two penny pieces, halfpence and farthings.

Post offices were first established in Paris.

Mr. William Alderson is again able to be at his work.

CITY NOTES.

Fortnightly Newport and Newporters.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry King were in New York.

Mr. Herbert L. Dyer has been in New York this week.

Mrs. O. G. Langley has gone to New York for the winter.

For numerous secret societies this city must bear on the palm.

Mr. T. B. Lawton spent Christmas with his sons in Providence.

Mr. T. T. Pitman, of the Daily News, spent Christmas with friends in Washington.

The travel by the Old Colony steamer is unusually heavy for this season of the year.

Mrs. A. H. Sayles, of Pawtucket, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Edward F. Felt on Bedford avenue.

"La Grippe" late of Russia, is the unwelcome guest of many Newport families just now.

Mr. A. C. Thompson and family of Westerly, have been visiting Newport friends this week.

The officers of Bellevue Lodge, Order of Tont, elected Tuesday evening, will be installed Jan. 14.

The members of Washington Community had a social at Masonic Temple Thursday night.

The prospects are good for considerable movement in real estate between now and next summer.

Late liquor seizures by our police indicate that kitchen barrooms can be run on very small capital.

Dr. Henry Coggeshall, of New York, spent Christmas with his father, Mayor Coggeshall, in this city.

The Jolly Boys gave a matinee in Old Fellows' Hall Wednesday, and it was a very enjoyable affair.

Mr. Marion Smith, son of Col. Howard Smith, is at Tacoma and will probably locate there permanently.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard M. Barker, of Boston, spent Christmas with Mr. Barker's father on Sherman street.

Mrs. Phoebe A. Bradford has been in Stamford, Conn., this week the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Wardwell.

Mr. Frank G. Rice, boss planer at the Cottrell Press works in Westerly, but formerly of this city, is seriously ill.

A Merry Christmas social was greatly enjoyed by about twenty-five couples at Masonic Hall Wednesday evening.

Mrs. Frank Tracy, nee Simmons, of Providence, is passing the Christmas holidays with her parents in this city.

The Flower mission has been the means of making many Newport families comfortable and happy this week.

Mr. Geo. T. Finch and nephew, Mr. Benjamin Finch, 20, of New York, spent Christmas with Newport friends.

An elegant vestment set was among the numerous Christmas remembrances received by Rev. Dr. Grace of St. Mary's.

Mr. G. B. Reynolds, who has been confined to his home on Broadway during the past two weeks by a severe cold, is convalescent.

Street Commissioner and Mrs. W. H. Lawton, Jr., nee Hegan, took their Christmas dinner with Mrs. Lawton's parents in Brooklyn.

Mr. Edward K. Stevens, of Philadelphia, enjoyed a Newport Christmas this year, the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Stevens.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Austin of Westerly, spent Christmas with Mrs. Austin's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. C. Barker, on Bull street.

Mrs. Thayer, wife of Rev. Fletcher Thayer, D. D., who has been quite seriously ill for some time past, is reported considerably improved.

W. E. Tripp is building on Second street, for S. W. M. Rattine, a handsome and commodious one-and-a-half-story cottage 27x17 feet.

Mr. O. Hoffman Burrows, of Washington, has rented his Newport villa on Gibbs avenue, to Mrs. John D. Dorr of New York, for next season.

Mr. Robert H. Stanton, who had been in poor health for several years, died at his residence on Washington square last Saturday, aged 72 years.

The next meeting of the Literary Society of the Congregational church will be held Friday evening, Jan. 17th, the meeting due for Jan. 3d having omitted.

The "Destruction of Pompeii" will be the subject of Rev. Dr. Randolph's discourse before the Aquidneck Union of Chautauque Circles on the 30th proximo.

Mr. Edward J. Burlingham, of St. Mark's College, is spending his Christmas vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Burlingham, on Spring street.

Traveler's Directory.

Fares Reduced.
Fall River Line.NEW YORK.
For Special Limited Tickets.
Reduction to all other Points.

Steamers PHILADELPHIA and PROVIDENCE leave Newport for New York on Monday, Dec. 23, 1889, at 10 P. M. The PHILADELPHIA will arrive at New York at 10 P. M. on Tuesday, Dec. 24. The PROVIDENCE will arrive at New York at 10 P. M. on Wednesday, Dec. 25. For tickets and information apply to the agents at Newport.

Newport & Wickford

Railroad and Steamboat Co.

WINTER TIME TABLE

Between Newport, Boston, Providence and New York, beginning

MONDAY, DEC. 23, 1889.

At Newport and Wickford, R. I., and Steamboat Co. and New York, Boston and Providence.

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For the Children.

The Mysterious Snowball.

BY CLARA TRENBULL WAITE.

"Christmas without snow isn't Christmas at all!" So spoke Tom, oldest son of Robert Mortimer, Esq. "We haven't had any kind of a winter for ages," he continued, "and for my part I envy the Eskimoes."

He had just finished reading a book entitled "Explorations at the North Pole," which may account for his last remark.

"There's no skating at all," said Dorothy.

"And not one bit of sliding," cried Bessie.

"And no snowballs," plaintively remarked Bob, beginning to cry.

"Come, come, Bob; stop that—Christmas is coming, and Santa Claus don't bring good things to bad children," said Tom.

This Bob's denials proved an effectual stop to his extravagant claims. But his habit of being angry being Bob's forte, he was liable to break out at any moment, he was the cause of it.

Just at that moment the front door was heard closing, and all the young Mortimers ran to the banisters to peep and see what new present had arrived, for this was the 24th of December, and the door-bell had been kept busy all day.

The last corner proved to be papa and down rushed the children with whoops and various musical cries, which would have defied any one else.

Casting themselves upon him, they lighted his pockets of several interesting looking bundles, and then rushed away with their booty.

"It's quite cold out, shouldn't wonder if it snows before morning," remarked Mr. Mortimer, as he watched his hands rub the fire before setting down to read his evening paper.

"Ahem! 'Cold weather followed by snow.' Well, children, perhaps you'll have your snowballs after all."

Shrieks of delight greeted this remark. But the ringing of the bell in the hall made them turn their thoughts in another direction. After this repeat they were to put on the costume which was their special delight. Armed with spoons, molasses, butter, vinegar and other ingredients, and injunctions not to take cold by standing in the night air, waiting for the lady to cool, they began operations.

It was their pride and boast that their fatherly hands, and on this occasion it proved no exception to the rule. When it was finished they took out on the kitchen porch to cool, and to their great joy found the snow was gently falling.

"Isn't this great?" remarked Tom.

"Fine!" rejoined Bob, ending snow with one hand and holding his beloved papa with the other. But remembering their mamma's instructions, they returned to the kitchen, and pulled their taffy into long, bright, yellow ribbons. When this delightful sticky job was over, they returned to the upper regions to invite mamma and papa to partake of the delicious feast; but as some had been dropped on the floor several times, and mamma did not enjoy it as much as they pretended.

As they all sat around the fire Tom remarked he must go to attend to something important, and left the room, leaving them to wonder what it was.

While he was gone a very queer thing happened. The roof of the house over the large and cheerful sitting-room was leaking, and the water was dripping down into the room.

At first they all looked at each other in amazement. Then they looked at the roof, and then at each other.

"Why, what's this?" said papa, as he unfolded the roof and found the water dripping down into the room.

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The Mercury.
JAMES P. SANBORN, Editor and Proprietor.
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 28, '89.
The Republic of Brazil is now on trial, and from all accounts it is somewhat doubtful if she stands the trial with fortitude. The United States senate on Friday did a wise thing in declining for the present to take any action on the question of recognition.

The prohibition law which has been adopted by the North Dakota legislature is regarded as the most stringent measure ever adopted by any State. The bill received the full Republican vote in the House and was approved by the necessary two-thirds vote of the Senate. It will go into effect next May.

The New York Sun says that ex-President Cleveland is planning to change his residence from New York to some other State, thinking that by so doing he will have a better chance politically in the future. Cleveland denies the imputation. He says he shall stick to New York.

Kent county has got a new jail at East Greenwich. To dedicate it they put in three criminals the other day. The aforelaid three after remaining in close quarters as long as they thought it prudent for their own convenience made a hole through a 20-inch built wall and walked away. So Kent county now has a jail with a hole in it.

The residence of Mrs. Fisk, widow of the celebrated James Fisk, more commonly known as "Jim," was destroyed by fire at North Hatfield, Mass., Wednesday morning. Four barns were also burned, together with a large quantity of tobacco and farming tools. This is the fourth time within twelve years that Mrs. Fisk's residences have been destroyed by incendiary fire.

The Daily News has a deserved good word for Gov. Ladd. No Governor has ever made himself more popular with the people than has the present incumbent, and it will be a difficult matter for his opponents to find a man who can beat him. Lt. Gov. Littlefield is equally worthy of praise, and he will make a good successor to Gov. Ladd when the latter shall have served a second term.

Speaker Reed has shown more promptness than any officer who has presided over the House of Representatives for many years. Before the holiday recess is taken he has his list of committees all made out. The committees are made up, too, in such a manner that even his enemies cannot find a chance to condemn them. It is evident that the new speaker means business every time.

The one great bugbear of a Mugwump's existence is Blaine. The papers of that proximity see "Blaine" in everything. He is ever present in both their sleeping and their waking dreams; when they take their morning dailies and when they say their evening prayers (if they ever say any) the image of Blaine comes up before them to disturb them in their quiet and solemn meditations. Just now they think they have discovered a mare's nest of magnificent proportions and they are making the most of it. No Republican paper, and for that matter, no true blue Democratic paper, had heard of the fact, but it has been left to the aforesaid Mugwump to discover and disseminate the awful fact that this terrible Blaine is in training for the next Presidency. One paper of the ilk set the story going a few days since and now every editorial brother of the order is wading in inky gore knee deep predicting the direful disasters that are to follow. There is nothing to be wondered at in the conduct of these papers towards the able Secretary of State, and between now and 1892, the people should prepare themselves for any number of lies and rosbucks of this kind. It is sufficient to say, there is not the slightest foundation, yet apparent, for the statements now being so industriously circulated in regard to Blaine's wants or intentions as far as the next Presidency is concerned.

The new poll tax law seems to puzzle a great many people just now. Some think that they must pay the tax in order to vote next year; others think that if they pay the tax that settles the whole matter, that they have not got to register and that all they have to do is to exhibit their tax receipt to entitle them to vote. Others cannot see how it is if their property is in the name of the wife and they pay a tax on it that they are compelled also to pay the poll tax. Now the whole matter is simple enough. In the first place the payment of the poll tax has nothing whatever to do with voting. Any male citizen over 21 years of age can vote whether he pays the tax or not. But if he has no property he must go to the city or town clerk's office and register his name before the last day of December or else he cannot vote next year. If he neglects to register or if he attempts to that duty, he will find the tax collector after him just the same. It is obligatory upon every male person over 21 years of age who is not taxed in his own name, and is not excused by reason of having done military duty, to pay this dollar poll tax. If he does not pay it, the collector is authorized to lodge the delinquent in the Providence County jail. Under this law it might cost the state or city fifteen or twenty dollars to collect one, but the tax collector has no alternative in the matter.

In our city the registering in order to vote next year is done down stairs in the city hall, in the city clerk's office, while the tax is collected up stairs in the city treasurer's office. The money taken for poll taxes goes to the public school fund to make good the loss to that fund of the registry taxes.

The Financial Situation.
The most serious obstacle must have noticed the gradual displacement of the National Bank note circulation by the Gold and Silver Certificates issued by the United States Treasury against the deposits of the precious metal. This displacement must and will continue until the last National Bank note shall disappear when, if legislation do not intervene, our circulating medium will consist of the United States legal tender note, the United States coinage and United States certificates against deposit of gold and silver.

When towards the close of the year 1871 Mr. Jefferson suggested the propriety of a gradual issue of two hundred millions of dollars of National government notes, Mr. Gallatin was of the opinion that Mr. Jefferson greatly overated the amount of paper currency which could be sustained "at par," and his judgment was that "the issue of government paper ought to be kept in reserve for extraordinary circumstances." Mr. Gallatin, though the moving spirit of the administration of Jefferson and Madison, was bitterly opposed to the refusal to recharter the old United States bank. The condition of the United States with its large product of gold and silver is to-day widely different from what it was in 1874, and, indeed, until the discovery of our own mineral resources "specie was a foreign product," and only held in the country by the control which the bank exercised over the foreign exchanges by the contraction of imports through its discounts.

Commenting on this changed condition of the country, I said in a chapter of the Life of Albert Gallatin written for the Statesmen series in 1884: "It here may be remarked that the evolution of the systems of American finance seem to have slowly but surely to an entire divorce of banking from currency and the day is not far distant when the circulating medium of the United States will consist of gold and silver and of government issues, restricted, according to the English principle, to the minimum of circulation, and kept equivalent to specie in reserve. In the Treasury, while the banks, their deposits, and the circulation of the currency will be confined to their legitimate business of receiving deposits and making loans and discounts."

As above stated, this process is gradually going on and it has been and is without any friction or disturbance. The authority sought for by the Banks to continue their circulation up to the par value of the United States bonds held by the Controller of the Currency for their security may retard but not long retard its ultimate surrender. For, as the time of the maturity of these United States bonds approaches the premium will gradually decline and it is on its face an absurdity to suppose that the banks will hold back their bonds while outside holders realize the high premium this holding back of the banks in fact in a measure creates. Mr. John Jay Knox in his recent paper on this subject says that he "does not believe that the National Bank notes are all to be retired." Their retirement may be retarded but cannot be arrested unless a new basis be provided.

Mr. St. John, on the other hand, takes this view. He holds that "it is fairly to be assumed that the last of these National Bank notes will shortly disappear," and he brings to the support of his opinion a passage from the legal tender decision of the United States Supreme Court of 1881, viz.: "We are reasonably assured that no bank note, successor of the present issues of the National Banks, will ever in all the future be allowed to issue and circulate as money in the United States." This judicial statement will of itself prove a sufficient bar to the establishment of any such "successor."

As the United States legal tender note, "the greenback," will then shortly be the only paper money in the United States, since certificates of deposit of money are but substitutes for money and circulate only at the will and for the convenience of the holder it only remains to be considered what amount can be sustained at par. This was Mr. Gallatin's test of safe issue. Here then the student of finance finds no fixed quantity. The issues of the Bank of England were originally based on the lowest amount of notes which had been found to circulate in a number of years. The limit of the United States issue was arbitrarily fixed. Once extended and later brought back to that limit, three hundred and fifty millions, it stands to-day at that amount and Congress has never shown any disposition to increase it. The demand for an increase of paper money which the withdrawal of the National Bank notes might have occasioned is happily avoided by the increase in the amount of certificates of deposit against the abundant product of our gold and silver mines; an increase which has proved adequate not only to fill the gap caused in the circulating medium by that withdrawal, but also to supply the increased circulation demanded by our increasing population and extending trade.

The President has done the country a great service in a lucid statement of this matter, which everyone will read, whereas the Treasury Report is by the body of the people usually held to be a technical document. President Harrison in his message points out that while the National Bank note circulation has fallen off since 1878 to the amount of \$114,169,729, the United States certificates of deposit had increased, of gold \$72,311,219; of silver \$278,819,715; a total increase of \$351,130,934. And the total circulating medium National bank notes, United States notes, United States certificates of deposit, and United States coin, gold and silver, in circulation, showed a net increase from 1878 to 1889 of \$399,224,183, an increase per capita of about \$4 in that period.

As the specie, or the evidences of specie, have greatly increased while the dependent bank paper has diminished, the circulating medium has been strengthened in the same ratio, and as this coin strength increases there is no reasonable doubt that the United States note at its present limit of

\$270,000,000 will maintain its perfect parity with coin.

When the United States shall have paid off its last bonded indebtedness it will be time enough to consider whether it shall pay off its non interest paying United States notes.

In a letter to the N. Y. Tribune not long since I made the suggestion that the United States note be declared convertible into gold at any time Treasury of the United States and be so stamped upon its face. The highest financial authorities have held that a reserve of twenty-five per cent, in specie is ample to secure the convertibility of any circulation. The Treasury reserve exceeds this amount and there can be no doubt would be adequate to any call, certainly in the broad territory of the United States.

The silver problem is of another order. It is impossible to form any judgment of the amount of silver currency our widespread population can carry. In my judgment that amount will prove much larger than is generally supposed. The colored race are lovers of silver and will carry and hoard large sums. There is no present evidence of glut in any quarter. It will be time enough to legislate further when such glut appears. Meanwhile the outcry against our silver coinage as a "debased currency" is absurd. Every country in Europe has used and is using a token silver currency ("debased," if one choose to use the term,) to hold it within its own borders and to avoid the expense of re-coining.

Let us avoid useless and risky legislation and "leave well enough alone." But let us not force silver where it is not wanted; or use the currency to support the silver market. When the measure of the token currency is full silver will find its commercial level. If attempts be then made to put out further amounts the intrinsic metal value of the coin must be raised. This is not a novel or difficult task, but as yet unnecessary.

There is still another point in the silver problem which deserves consideration, viz., whether it will not be well to stop or lessen the coinage of the silver dollar pieces. Sooner or later they all return to the Treasury; not because of any objection to them as silver, but because of their inconvenient size. It is many years since France totally stopped the coinage of the five franc piece, as too bulky for daily handling. Persons returned from China and Japan bring word that the Mexican and Spanish dollars, once the preferred money piece, is no longer in favor and that smaller coins are taking their place. It would be well worth while for the Treasury Department to test the feeling of our people by a coinage of half-dollar pieces. The Southern States would probably absorb many millions and perhaps tens of millions of this coin. The experiment is worth making. It can do no harm.

JOHN AUSTIN STEVENS.
December 20, 1889.
Cruise of the Yorktown.
A Times Lisbon special says: The U. S. cruiser Yorktown steamed into the "Agas Tuesday, exactly two days behind the other vessels of the fleet. She weathered a heavy gale in which her sea-going qualities were put to a severe test. She behaved admirably. For two days and two nights Commander Chadwick and his men were compelled to display their seamanship. When the gale was at its height the steel steering quadrant broke in two places and the little cruiser, falling off rapidly, was repeatedly swept by the heavy seas that tumbled over her. The heavy draught of the storm had their effect. Except the breaking of the quadrant, the only accident which happened was the loss of a whaleboat. The cruiser stopped at Fayal two days. She recovered lost time by running from Fayal to that port, a distance of 950 miles, in three days. The average daily run was 316 miles.

The Dominion government is said to be actually undertaking the construction of the ship-railroad in transport vessels over the isthmus between the Gulf of St. Lawrence and the Bay of Fundy. It is not a very stupendous enterprise, as the distance across is only about eleven miles and the grade easy. The work has been in contemplation three or four years. It will save a long and rough trip around Nova Scotia for coasters and fishermen, and by enabling American fishing vessels to make a quick run to some fine port in railroad connection to dispose of their catch, may give them the chance for an additional trip during the season.

The next number of the Century will contain the last chapters of the life of Lincoln. In January there will be given a vivid description of the last days of Lincoln, an account of his assassination and funeral, and of the attack on Seward. Supplementary articles, by Confederate and Union officers, on the "Pursuit and Death of John Wilkes Booth" will accompany this installment. Among the illustrations is a diagram of the box in Ford's Theater, a facsimile of a play-bill found in President Lincoln's box after the assassination, etc.

Weston is to have another daily paper. Editor Frank H. Campbell has associated with him Mr. Geo. G. Champion and beginning the first of February the Journal will be issued six times a week instead of once.

A Marriage.
Telephone is said to be legal, don't all ring 132 at one time. An order by telephone for G. O. Taylor Old Boston or Ray City. Whiskey can be secured from the best distillery and grocery trade everywhere, or from the Sole Importers, CHESTER H. GRAYES & SONS, Boston, Mass., where their name signature is over the cork in each bottle. Published at 132 at one time.

The Burning of Com. Grinnell's House.

We mentioned briefly last week the loss to Commodore Grinnell, of his fine house at Westport Harbor by fire. This fire came near being a tragedy. The escape of the inmates was certainly providential. Mrs. Grinnell and her maid were the only persons in the house, and when the latter awakened, the fire had made such headway that the entire front of the house was in flames. Mrs. Grinnell ran out in her night clothes on to the piazza, only to find it enveloped in flames. She then seems to have lost her head temporarily, and when Peter, the French servant, reached the house, he found his mistress standing in her bare feet in the dining-room, with the fire all about her and the door burning under her. He tried to induce her to get out of the window, but she insisted that she must return to her room and get her jewels. Realizing that she was not conscious of her situation, the faithful fellow dragged her out by main force and in a moment after the door she had been standing on fell into the cellar.

The house was a new one, of Queen Anne style, fitted with all the modern improvements. But it was the remarkable contents which made this home particularly attractive to guests and upon which the owner especially prided himself. The commodore was an enthusiastic collector of curios and his wide experience as a traveler had enabled him to accumulate objects from various parts of the world, the value of which cannot be estimated. Furthermore, the father of the commodore, Mr. Grinnell, of the firm of Grinnell & Munroe, of New York, had himself been renowned as the projector of the Dr. Kane expedition to the Arctic region and other like adventurous undertakings and he had bequeathed to his son many of the mementoes and trophies which had naturally come to him through his connection with such enterprises. There were letters, papers and documents from the British government and distinguished officers and passengers of the United States, worth of themselves a fortune in the estimation of the Grinnell family. All these trophies the commodore had gathered into his house at Westport Harbor. There were pictures without number, among them the noted oil painting of the finding of Sir John Franklin, by the artist who illustrated the volumes on the Kane expedition, and a choice library, while the rooms were filled with curiosities from comparatively unknown countries, the result of years of painstaking selection. Not a thing was saved from the ruins.

Commodore Grinnell had a series of misfortunes follow him of late which are enough to break down a strong man. Not long ago he lost the sight of one of his eyes from an accident and the town of Westport made life a burden to him for several months, during a dispute over taxes. He had hardly recovered from these afflictions when he was notified of the illness of his son, who is attending school in Boston. The latter's condition did not improve, and recently the father was called upon to attend him. While in the performance of this duty, Commodore Grinnell was attacked with pleurisy and acute bronchitis, and is at present a patient at the Massachusetts General Hospital. Mrs. Grinnell is still prostrated from the effects of the fire. Her feet were badly burned.

Cal. Brice, Democratic rainbow chaser and candidate for the United States Senate, has purchased the Columbus, Ohio, Evening Post, to run as his personal organ. He never chased a more evanescent rainbow than the idea that a paper, known to be a personal, political organ, can command the confidence and respect of the public.

Henry W. Grady Dead.

Henry W. Grady died of pneumonia at Atlanta at 20 minutes of 1 o'clock Monday morning. Mr. Grady contracted the illness in Boston where he made one of the most brilliant speeches of his career before the Merchants' Association. He had a slight cold when he left Atlanta and his wife cautioned him against making too many speeches as he had generally returned from his visits North with an attack of pneumonia, or something of that nature. His friends tried to dissuade the genial editor from using his voice too much, but with sad ill-success.

Henry Woodfin Grady was born in Athens, Ga., May 21, 1871. He was educated at the University of his native State, which is located in the place of his activity. After attendance for a while at the University of Virginia he began newspaper work. He was on a visit to Atlanta when he volunteered to go as the Constitution's correspondent on a projected excursion. His letters were brilliantly written and attracted attention. For a while he edited a paper in Rome, but in 1877 returned to Atlanta. For a while he assisted in the publication and editing of the Atlanta Herald, a clever newspaper edited with a generosity which led to its discontinuance and the increased success of the Constitution which had been its rival. Mr. Grady's reputation increased his ready employment as correspondent of the New York Herald and Louisville Courier-Journal. His work proved of industrial value to Georgia. With the money made by hard work, Mr. Grady purchased a third interest in the Atlanta Constitution. Mr. Grady possessed the sympathetic and genial temperament of the South. He was a large hearted and popular, and the circle of his healthful and genial influence was ever extending.

How's This?
We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any person who can furnish information leading to the capture of J. E. CHENEY & Co., Proprietors, of the "Little Liver Pills," who have been perfectly successful in all business transactions, and financially able to carry out any obligations made by their firm. West & Tracy, Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, Ohio. Walbridge, Kinnear & Martin, Wholesale Druggists, 111 Van Buren, Chicago. J. E. Van H. Green, Cashier, Toledo National Bank, Toledo, Ohio. Full's Cures are taken internally, cut the directly to the liver and stomach, and the system. Price 25 cents per bottle. Sent by all Druggists.

Bismarck is not because the Reichstag has exempted theological students from conscription. He wants his clergy to belong to the church militant.

RHODE ISLAND.
Gilman P. Robinson, late Registrar of Brown University, has been indicted for embezzlement. When arraigned, last week, he pleaded not guilty, and was bound over for trial.

In Providence, Saturday evening, a man on a coal barge was killed by a coal bucket falling on him. The bucket had been hoisted from the barge, and fell some seventy feet.

Joseph Stott, a jewelry merchant, of Providence, who has been ill for some time, left his house recently and went to the track of the Old Colony railroad, waited for the Shore Line train, placed his neck across the rails and was beheaded. He leaves a widow.

WEEKLY ALMANAC.
DECEMBER STANDARD TIME.
1889.

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Full Moon	7th day, 11.30 a.m., morning.								
1st Quarter	12th day, 12.58 a.m., morning.								
New Moon	24th day, 7.30 a.m., morning.								
3rd Quarter	29th day, 6.10 a.m., morning.								

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LOTS for Working-men, land from 10 cents a foot to 25 cents, in dry, healthy localities. Money lent on mortgage to aid purchasers.

Deaths.
In this city, 20th inst., Thomas S. Sullivan, aged 33 years.
In this city, 21st inst., Robert H. Stanton, in the 24th year of his age.
In this city, 21st inst., Abby Wampler, in Paris, France, 18th inst., Sarah A. widow of the late Isaac C. Kendall, of this city.
In Providence, 20th inst., Caroline, widow of the late Daniel Weaver, formerly of this city, aged 51 years, 5 months, and 8 days.
In Providence, 20th inst., G. Edwin Peabody, formerly of this city, aged 51 years.
At Seattle, Wn., 20th inst., at the residence of Mr. John A. Hatfield, his son-in-law, Cal. Robert J. Stevens, Consul for the United States at Victoria, B. C., eldest son of the late Robert Stevens, Esq., of this city, in the 6th year of his age.
In Providence, 19th inst., Asa H. Page, 65, 20th inst., Thomas McCall, 75, 20th inst., George Crocker, 69 years.

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Cleveland's	110.8
Ses. Foam	107.9
Osar	106.8
Dr. Price's	102.6
Snow Flake (Grady's St. Paul)	101.88
Lewis's (Condensed)	99.3
Congress (Yeast)	97.5
Pearl	93.2
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Hecker's	92.5
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Christmas Eve. 1. St. Stephen's Song.

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The lot of Washington are hereby

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